

Mario Robert Joseph Levesque

- 2004 - 2006 Research Assistant, McMaster University
- Research Supervisor: Dr. Peter Graefe
 - Research Area: Quebec Social Policy 2001-004, Federalism, Disability Policy
- 2003 - 2004 Teaching Assistant - Political Science 234E, University of Western Ontario
- 1998 - 2005 Horticulture Teacher (part-time)
- Continuing Education, Fanshawe College (London, ON)
- 1992 - 1994 Horticulture Teacher (part-time)
- Continuing Education, Centralia College of Agricultural Technology, (Centralia, ON)

b) Other Work Experience:

- 1986 - 2002 Cox-Levesque Landscape Specialists, Lucan, Ontario
- Landscape Design

C. Research Activity:

a) Research Interests:

- Common Pool Problems (Water Policy)
- Social Policy (Disability, Housing, Labour)
- Federalism
- Voluntary Approaches to Environmental Performance, Natural Resource Policy

b) Research Contributions:

1. Articles in Refereed Journals:

Graefe, Peter and Mario Levesque. "La nouvelle gouvernance fédérale et les politiques sociales au Canada : Leçons des ententes en matière de l'intégration en emploi des personnes ayant des handicaps." *Lien Social et Politiques* 56 (Automne, 2006): 73-86.

2. Technical Reports:

Levesque, Mario. *Avenues of Change in Groundwater Governance in Hamilton, On*. Technical Report for Environment Hamilton. April 2007, 138pp.

3. Other:

Voluntary Approaches to Environmental Performance. 2004. Master's Major Research Paper.

4. Presentations:

2008, June. "Plotting the Roots of Local Citizen Engagement." CPSA Annual Conference. UBC: Vancouver.

2008, June. (with Dr. Graefe) "Impediments to Innovation in the Canadian Social Union: The Case of the Labour Market Agreements for People with Disabilities." CPSA Annual Conference. UBC: Vancouver.

2007, 17 September. "Structuring Groundwater Policy Change." Presentation at the *Land Use and Watershed Management in Alberta and Beyond Workshop*, Gordon Foundation 2nd Water Forum, Calgary, Alberta.

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2007, 12 July. "Addressing Water Demand Issues in Hamilton, On." Presentation to the Water Advisory Board, Hamilton Conservation Authority, Hamilton, Ontario.

2007, 14 June. *Avenues of Change in Groundwater Governance in Hamilton, On.* Report Presentation to Board of Directors, Environment Hamilton (ENGO Partner), Hamilton, Ontario.

1999, 06 January. "Agricultural Windbreak Design, Installation and Maintenance." Presentation at the Southwest Agricultural Conference, Ridgetown, Ontario.

1995, 15 August. Conservation Tour - Windbreak Design Demonstration Project. Middlesex Soil and Crop Improvement Association Annual Research Update, Komoka, Ontario.

5. Media:

2007, 27 July. *Hamilton Mountain News.* Interviewed for article by Richard Leitner entitled "Hamilton no longer the country's biggest water hog".

2007, 26 June. *AM900 CHML, The Bill Kelly Show,* Live interview by Bill Kelly on how to address Hamilton's groundwater issues.

2007, 26 June. *Hamilton Spectator.* Interviewed for article by Carmela Fragomeni entitled "Drip, drip, drip... City disputes study on water use".

2007, 22 June. *Hamilton Spectator.* Interviewed for article by Carmela Fragomeni entitled "Study says Hamilton residents are the biggest water hogs in Canada".

2007, 19 June. Profile of groundwater study in *McMaster Daily News.* Article by Michelle Donovan entitled "Cooperation needed to avoid water shortages in Hamilton".

6. Research Transfer To Industry:

Levesque, Mario. "Analyzing Groundwater Policy Change." *The Source* 2008.

Levesque, Mario. "Ground Water Problems in Hamilton." *The Source* 2007-2008 (Winter): 32-35.

Levesque, Mario. "Structuring Groundwater Policy Change." *The Source* 2007 (Fall): 27-29.

D. Scholarships and Awards:

2006-2008 SSHRC Doctoral Fellowship (Sept. 2006 - Aug. 2008)

2006-2007 Water Policy Fellowship, Walter and Duncan Gordon Foundation

2006 Ontario Graduate Scholarship*, Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges & Universities (*Declined Award to accept SSHRC)

2005 CAPP-CASP³A Best Student (Paper) Award - Political Science, McMaster University

2004 Ontario Graduate Scholarship, Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges & Universities

2004 Entrance Scholarship to Doctoral Program, Political Science, McMaster University

2004-2008 Graduate Scholarship, McMaster University

2003 SSHRC Canada Graduate Scholarship - Masters Sept. 2003 - Aug. 2004

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- 2003 Entrance Scholarship to MA Program, Political Science, University of Western Ontario
2003 S.F. Glass Gold Medal, Honors Political Science, University of Western Ontario
- 1992 United Co-Operatives of Ontario Award (Top Academic Student in Agricultural Business Management Program), Centralia College of Agricultural Technology
1992 Ontario Institute of Agrologists Award, Western Ontario Branch (Proficiency in Farm Business Analysis), Centralia College of Agricultural Technology
1992 Farm Credit Corporation Award (Proficiency in Farm Business and Financial Management), Centralia College of Agricultural Technology
1992 Canadian Agri-Marketing Association Award (Proficiency in Agricultural Marketing and Salesmanship), Centralia College of Agricultural Technology
1992 Cook's Division of Parrish & Heimbecker Ltd. Award (Group Award for Top Farm Project), Centralia College of Agricultural Technology

E. Academic Service, Other Activities, Professional Affiliations:

a) Academic Service:

- 2006-07; 2007-08 OGS & SSHRC Scholarship Coordinator, Political Science Department, King's University College (University of Western Ontario)
2004 - 2005 Graduate Student Representative, Faculty Council, Faculty of Social Sciences, McMaster University

b) Industry Service:

- 2000 - 2002 London Chapter Rep. to Provincial Board, Landscape Ontario
1998 - present Member, Fanshawe College Steering Committee, Garden Centre Retail Sales & Mgt. Certificate Program, Fanshawe College (London, ON)
1996 - 1998 President, London Chapter, Landscape Ontario
1994 - 1995 Board Member London Chapter, Landscape Ontario

c) Professional Affiliations:

- Member:
- Canadian Political Science Association
 - Institute of Public Administration of Canada
 - International Association for the Study of the Commons
 - International Society of Arboriculture
 - Ontario Federation of Agriculture

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